# **GOURLEY TOWNSHIP**

Financial Report

For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

# Auditing Procedures Report v1.04

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Unit Name Gourley Township County MENOMINEE Type TOWNSHIP MuniCode

Opinion Date-Use Calendar Jun 25, 2008 Audit Submitted-Use Calendar Jul 31, 2008 Fiscal Year-Use Drop List 2008

If a local unit of government (authorities & commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is NOT included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission.

# Place a check next to each "Yes" or non-applicable question below. Questions left unmarked should be those you wish to answer "No".

"No					
×	1. Are all required component units/funds/agencies of the local unit included in the financial statements and/or disclosed in the reporting entity notes to the financial statements?				
×	2. Does the local unit have a positive fund balance in all of its unreserved fund balances/unrestricted net assets?				
×	3. Were the local unit's actual expenditures within the amounts authorized in the budget?				
×	4. Is this unit in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury?				
_	5. Did the local unit adopt a budget for all required funds?				
×	6. Was a public hearing on the budget held in accordance with State statute?				
×	7. Is the local unit in compliance with the Revised Municipal Finance Act, an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Acando ther guidance as issued by the Local Audit and Finance Division?				
×	8. Has the local unit distributed tax revenues, that were collected for another taxing unit, timely as required by the general property tax act?				
_	9. Do all deposits/investments comply with statutory requirements including the adoption of an investment policy?				
X	10. Is the local unit free of illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to your attention as defined in the Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin.)				
×	11. Is the unit free of any indications of fraud or illegal acts that came to your attention during the course of audit that have not been previously communicated to the Local Audit and Finance Division? (If there is such activity, please submit a separate report under separate cover.)				
×	12. Is the local unit free of repeated reported deficiencies from previous years?				
×	13. Is the audit opinion unqualified?  14. If not, what type of opinion is it?  NA				
×	15. Has the local unit complied with GASB 34 and other generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP)?				
×	16. Has the board or council approved all disbursements prior to payment as required by charter or statute?				
×	17. To your knowledge, were the bank reconciliations that were reviewed performed timely?				
×	18. Are there reported deficiencies? X 19. If so, was it attached to the audit report?				

General Fund Revenue:	\$ 60,747.00
General Fund Expenditure:	\$ 59,754.00
Major Fund Deficit Amount:	\$ 0.00

General Fund Balance:	\$ 168,362.00
Governmental Activities Long-Term Debt (see instructions):	\$ 0.00

We affirm that we are certified public accountants (CPA) licensed to practice in Michigan. We further affirm the above responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the Management Letter (Reported deviations).

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Township Board Gourley Township Menominee County, Michigan

I have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Governmental activities, each Major Fund and the Aggregate Remaining Fund information of Gourley Township, Menominee County, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008 which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Governmental activities, each major fund and aggregate remaining fund information of Gourley Township, Menominee County, Michigan, as of March 31, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary companison for the general fund thereof for the year ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated June 25, 2008, on my consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and on my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Governmental Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of my audit.

The Township has not presented management's discussion and analysis which is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles accepted in the United States of America.

Required Supplemental Information

The budgetary comparison information on pages 17 and 18 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplemental information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. I have applied certain limited procedures which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplemental information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Other Supplemental Information

My audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying information identified in the table of contents as supplemental information is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements of the Gourley Township and in my opinion is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Carl R. Sorensen

Certified Public Accountant

Carl R. Sozum

June 25, 2008

# Statement of Net Assets for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

ASSETS	Governmental Activities
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents Due from other Governmental units Interfund balances Total Current Assets	\$ 330,142 3,305 <u>295</u> 333,742
Non-Current Assets Capital assets Less accumulated depreciation Total Non-Current Assets Total Assets	370,119 (301,075) 69,044 \$ <u>402,786</u>
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities Accounts payable Total Current Liabilities	\$
Net Assets Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted Total Net Assets Total Liabilities and Net Assets	69,044 333,742 402,786 <b>\$ 402,786</b>

# Statement of Activities for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

		Program	n Revenue	Governmental Activities Net (expense)
	Expense	Charges for Service	Operating <u>Grants</u>	Revenue and Change in Net Assets
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS Governmental Activities:				
General Government	\$ 45,564	\$ 1,453	\$ 37,120	\$(6,991)
Public safety	29,172	_	16,390	(12,782)
Public works	<u> 11,708</u>			( 11,708)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ <u>86,444</u>	\$ <u>1,453</u>	\$ <u>53,510</u>	( 31,481)
GENERAL REVENU Taxes	JES			
Property taxe			ations	14,527
Property taxe				29,218
Interest and i		•		<u>10,263</u>
I otal C	Seneral Reve	enue		<u>54,008</u>
Changes in Net Asse Net Assets:	ets			22,527
Beginning of	Year			380,259
End of Year				\$ 402,786

Gourley Township Balance Sheet Governmental Funds for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	General	Fire	Other Governmenta <u>Units</u>	ıl Total
ASSETS  Cash and cash investments  Due from other Governmental units  Due from other funds  Total Assets	\$ 166,957 1,110 295 \$ 168,362	\$ 125,390 2,195 — \$ 127,585	\$ 37,795 - - \$ 37,795	\$ 330,142 3,305 295 \$ 333,742
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable  Total Liabilities	\$ <u> </u>	\$	\$	\$ <u> </u>
FUND BALANCES Unreserved				
Designated for Capital projects	460,363	407.505	37,795	37,795
Undesignated Total Fund Balance	168,362 168,362	127,585 127,585	37,795	295,947 333,742
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ <u>168,362</u>	\$ <u>127,585</u>	\$ <u>37,795</u>	\$ <u>333,742</u>

# Governmental Funds

# Reconciliation of Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to Net Assets for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 333,742
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in Governmental assets Accumulated depreciation	370,119 <u>( 301,075)</u>
Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 402.786

Gourley Township
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Governmental Fund for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	<u>General</u>	Fire	Other Governmental <u>Units</u>	Total
REVENUE				
Taxes	\$ 14,527	\$ 29,218	\$ -	\$ 43,745
State grants	31,925		_	31,925
Interest and rents	7,647	2,616	_	10,263
Local unit contributors	5,195	16,390	_	21,585
Other revenue	1,453		_	1,453
Total Revenues	60,747	48,224		108,971
EXPENDITURES  General Government Public safety Public works Capital outlay Total Expenditures	44,351 - 11,708 <u>3,695</u> 59,754	16,328 - 21,681 38,009	- - - - -	44,351 16,328 11,708 25,376 97,763
Excess of Revenues Over				
(Under) Expenditures	993	10,215		11,208
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USE Operating transfers in Operating transfers out Total Other Finance Uses	( 1,000) ( 1,000)		1,000  	1,000 ( 1,000) —
Net Changes in Fund Balance	( 7)	10,215	1,000	11,208
Fund Balances April 1 Fund Balances March 31	168,369 \$ 168,362	117,370 \$ 127,585	36,795 \$ <u>37,795</u>	322,534 \$ 333,742

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 11,208
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures in the statement of activities, these costs are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation.	
Depreciation expense Capital outlay	( 14,057) _25,376

Changes in Net Assets of Governmental Activities

\$ 22,527

# Gourley Township Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Funds for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	Agency Fund Student Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	_295_
Total Assets	\$ <u>295</u>
LIABILITIES	
Due to other funds	295
Total Liabilities	\$ 295

Notes to Financial statements March 31, 2008

### **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

This summary of significant accounting policies of Gourley Township is presented to assist in understanding the Township's financial statements. The financial statements and notes are representations of the Township's management who is responsible for the integrity and objectivity of the financial statements. These accounting policies conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and have been consistently applied in the preparation of the financial statements.

### REPORTING ENTITY

This report includes all of the funds of Gourley Township. The reporting entity for the Township consists of (a) primary Government, (b) organizations for which the primary Government is financially accountable and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary Government are such that their exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statement to be misleading or incomplete. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary Government are financially accountable. The primary Government is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and (1) it is able to impose its will on that organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or burdens on the primary Government. The primary Government may be financially accountable if an organization is fiscally dependent on the primary Government. Gourley Township has no component units.

### BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

### Government-Wide Financial statements

The statement of net assets and statement of activities display information about the reporting Government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues and other non-exchange revenues.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. The Township does not allocate indirect expenses to functions in the statement of activities. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment, (2) operating grants and contributions and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Taxes and other items not properly included as program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for Governmental funds and fiduciary funds even though the latter are excluded from the Government-wide financial statements. Major individual Governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

As a general rule, the effect or Interfund activity has been eliminated from the Government-wide financial statements.

Notes to Financial statements March 31, 2008

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):

### BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION (continued)

### Fund Financial statements

Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into individual funds each of which are considered to be separate accounting entities. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts which constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses.

Funds are organized as major funds or non-major funds within the Governmental statements. An emphasis is placed on major funds within Governmental categories. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Township or meets the following criteria:

- Total assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of that individual Governmental are at least 10% of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type and—
- b. The same element that met the 10% criterion in (a) is at least 5% of the corresponding element total for all Governmental funds combined.
- c. In addition, any other Governmental fund that the Township believes is particularly important to financial statement users may be reported as a major fund.

### **Governmental Funds**

### General Fund

The general fund is the primary operating fund of the Township and is always classified as a major fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

### Special Revenue Fund

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

### Fiduciary Funds (Not included in Government-Wide Statements)

### Agency Funds

Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the Township as an agent for individuals, private organizations and/or other Governmental units.

The tax collection fund accounts for property tax collections

### **Major Fund**

The Township reports the following major Governmental Fund:

The General Fund which accounts for the Township's primary operating activities.

The Fire Fund which accounts for the Townships fire activities.

### Non-Major Fund

The Township reports the following non-major fund:

Special Revenue Fund – Municipal Street Capital Projects

Notes to Financial statements March 31, 2008

# NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued): MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The Government-wide financial statements report using the economic resource's measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred regardless of when the related cash transaction takes place. Non-exchange transactions in which the Township gives or receives value without directly receiving or giving equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental fund statements report using the current financial resource's measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The Township considers all revenues reported in the Governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgements and compensated absences which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in Governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases, if any, are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the Township may fund certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general revenues. Therefore, when program expenses are incurred, both restricted and unrestricted net assets may be available to finance the program. It is the Township's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs followed by general revenues.

### **BUDGETARY CONTROL**

The Township follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- During the year, Township management submits to the Township Board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following April 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. After submission to the governing body, public hearings are held to obtain taxpayer comments. Following the public hearings, the proposed budget, including authorized additions and deletions, is legally enacted by Township Board action.
- Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the
  general fund. Final budget is defined as the originally approved budget plus or minus approved
  amendments. Budget appropriations not expended during the year are closed to fund balance unless
  authorized by the governing body to be forwarded into the succeeding year's budget.
- During the year, formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for the general fund.
- Expenditures may not exceed appropriations provided in detailed budget accounts maintained for each activity or department of the Township. Amendments to the budget during the year require initial approval by management and are subsequently authorized by the Township Board with a two-thirds majority vote.

Notes to Financial statements March 31, 2008

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):

### **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Accounts receivable in the Governmental funds are recorded at gross amounts with uncollectible amounts recognized under the direct write-off method. No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been provided since it is believed that the amount of such allowance would not be material.

### **CAPITAL ASSETS**

The accounting treatment over property, plant and equipment (capital assets) depends on whether the assets are reported in the Government-wide or fund financial statements and used in Governmental fund operations.

### **Government-Wide Statements**

In the Government-wide financial statements, property, plant and equipment are accounted for as capital assets. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual cost is unavailable, except for donated capital assets which are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. The Township has a capitalized threshold of \$2,000.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the statement of activities with accumulated depreciation reflected in the statement of net assets. Depreciation is provided over the assets estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Buildings 10-60 years Equipment 05-10 years

### Fund Financial statements

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in Governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the Governmental fund upon acquisition.

### **CLAIMS AND JUDGEMENTS**

Claims and judgements are recorded as liabilities if all the conditions of Government Accounting Standards Board pronouncements are met. Claims and judgements that would normally be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are recorded during the year as expenditures in the Governmental fund types. If they are not to be liquidated with expendable financial resources, no liability is recognized in the Governmental fund statements. The related expenditure is recognized when the liability is liquidated. Claims and judgements are recorded in the Government-wide statements as expenses when the related liabilities are incurred. There were no significant claims or judgements at year end.

### **EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS**

#### Government-Wide Statements

Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components.

 Invested in capital assets, net of related debt - consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Notes to Financial statements March 31, 2008

# NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued): EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS (continued)

Government-Wide Statements (continued)

- Restricted net assets consist of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other Governments or, (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. At March 31, 2008, the Township has no restricted assets.
- Unrestricted net assets all other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Township's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

### Fund Financial statements

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated.

### **USE OF ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with general accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

### **NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS:**

Michigan Compiled Laws, Section 129.91, authorizes Gourley Township to make deposits and invest in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions and savings and loan associates which have an office in Michigan. The Township is allowed to invest in bonds, securities and other direct obligations of the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; United States Government or federal agency obligations; repurchase agreements; bankers' acceptance of United States banks; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions which are rated as investment grade; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of Government in Michigan.

The Township Board has not adopted a formal investment policy.

The following disclosures are made in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 40, with regard to the Township's deposits and investments:

### **Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk for *deposits* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a Government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The custodial risk for *investments* is the risk that, in the even of the counter party (e.g. broker-dealer) to a transaction, a Government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. The State statutes and the Township's investment policy do not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial risks for deposits or investments.

Notes to Financial statements March 31, 2008

### NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS: (continued)

### **Custodial Credit Risk (continued)**

The Township maintains its cash accounts at several financial institutions. The balances, at times, may exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured limit of \$100,000 per interest bearing account and \$100,000 per non-attest bearing account per financial institution. Management acknowledges the possibility of risk in this arrangement. However, the size and longevity of the depository institutions minimize such risk.

The following is a summary of cash deposits as of March 31, 2008:

Fully insured deposits	\$ 332,023
Uncollateralized	
Total	\$ <u>332,023</u>

### **NOTE 3 - PROPERTY TAXES:**

Gourley Township property tax is levied on each July 1<sup>st</sup> on the taxable valuation of property (as defined by State statutes) located in Gourley Township as of the preceding December 31.

Property taxes are recorded in the year levied as receivables and recognized as revenue. Real property taxes not collected by February 28 are turned over to the county for collection. The county pays the Township for these delinquent taxes within 120 day. Delinquent personal property taxes are recorded as deferred revenue until collected or written off. In addition to property taxes for the Township, taxes are collected and remitted to state and county Governments as well as local school districts.

The 2007 taxable valuation of Gourley Township totaled 17.73 million, on which ad valorem taxes levied consisted of 4.3 mills for the Townships operating and fire purposes. This amount is recognized in the general fund and fire funds as tax revenue.

### **NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended March 31, 2008 were as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Balance		Balance
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:	3/31/07	Increases	03/31/08
Land	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000
Buildings	111,521	3,457	114,978
Equipment	223,222	<u>21,919</u>	<u>245,141</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	344,743	25,376	<u>370,119</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:			
Buildings	99,161	923	100,084
Equipment	<u> 187,857</u>	<u>13,134</u>	200,991
Total Accumulated Depreciation	287,018	14,057	301,075
Capital Assets Net of Accumulated Depreciation	s <u>57,725</u>	\$ <u>11,319</u>	\$ <u>69,044</u>
Depreciation expense was charged to functions as Governmental Activities:	follows:		
General Government		\$ 1,213	
Fire Fund		12,844	
		\$ 14,057	

Notes to Financial statements March 31, 2008

### NOTE 5 - NET ASSETS/FUND BALANCES:

Net assets reported on the Government-wide statement of net assets at March 31, 2008, includes the following:

Invested in Capital Assets:

Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation \$ 69,044

Net Assets Unrestricted 333,742

Total Net Assets - Government-Wide Statements \$402,786

Fund balances reported in the Government funds balance sheet at March 31, 2008 are further classifies as follows:

Unreserved:

Designated:

 Roads
 \$ 32,795

 Capital Projects
 5,000

Total Designated <u>37,795</u>

Undesignated 295,947
Total Governmental Fund Balance \$333,742

### **NOTE 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT:**

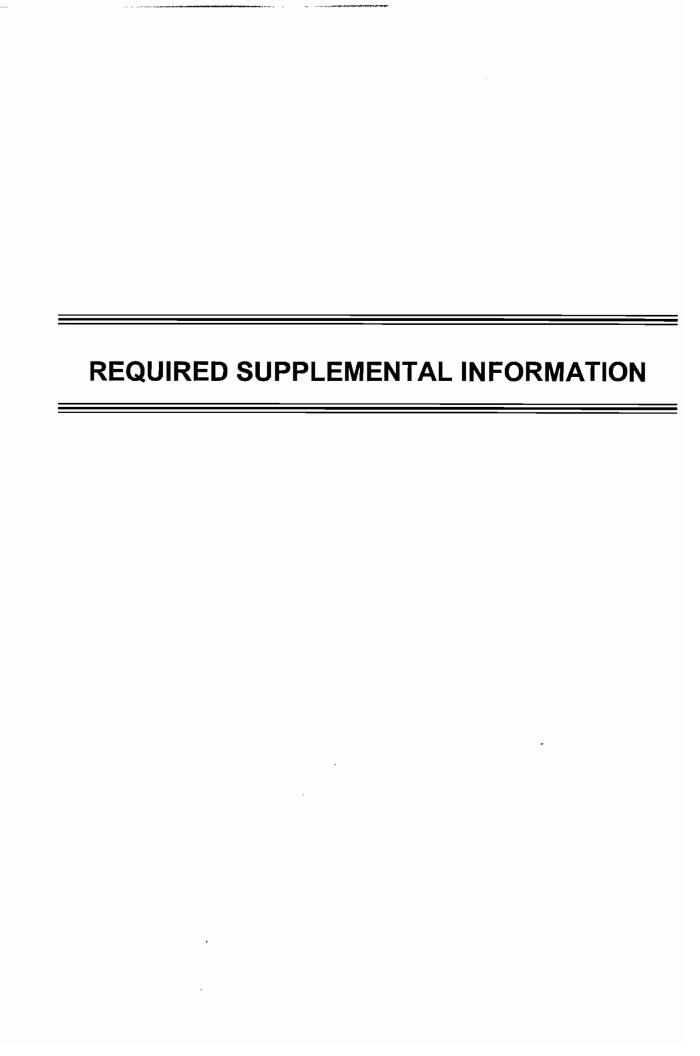
The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of; damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employee health claims; unemployment compensation claims; and environmental damage for which the Township purchases commercial insurance. There has been no reduction in insurance coverage from the prior year. Insurance settlements for claim resulting from the risks covered by commercial insurance have not exceeded the insurance coverage in the past two years.

### **NOTE 7 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:**

The Township has received federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursements to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grants. Management believes such disallowance, if any, would be immaterial.

From time to time, the Township is party to various pending claims and legal proceedings. Although the outcome of such matters cannot be forecasted with certainty, it is the opinion of management and the Township's attorney that the likelihood is remote that any such claims or proceedings will have a material adverse effect on the Town's financial position or results of operations.

Funding for the operating budget of the Township comes from many sources, including property taxes, grants and aids from other units of Government, user fees, fines and permits and other miscellaneous revenues. The State of Michigan provides a variety of aid and grant programs which benefit the Township. Those aid and grant programs are dependent on continual approval and funding by the Michigan Governor and legislature through their budget process. The State of Michigan is currently experiencing budget problems and is considering numerous alternatives including reducing the aid to local Governments. Any changes made by the State to funding or eligibility of local aid programs could have a significant impact on the future operating results of the Township.



# **GOURLEY TOWNSHIP**

# Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual General Fund Year Ended March 31, 2008

REVENUES: Taxes State grants Interest and rents Local unit contributions Other revenue  Total Revenues	Original <u>Budget</u> \$ 15,821 31,900 5,400 - 1,430 54,551	Final Budget \$ 15,821 31,900 5,400 - 1,430  54,551	Actual \$ 14,527 31,925 7,647 5,195 1,453 60,747
EXPENDITURES: General government Public works Capital outlay Total Expenditures	48,895 5,625 ——— 54,520	48,895 5,625 — 	44,351 11,708 3,695 59,754
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	31	31	993
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Operating transfers in Operating transfers out Total other financing sources (uses)			 ( <u>1,000)</u> ( <u>1,000)</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over			
(Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	31	31	( 7)
FUND BALANCES, April 1 FUND BALANCES, March 31	168,369 \$ 168,400	168,369 \$ 168,400	168,369 \$ 168,362

# **GOURLEY TOWNSHIP**

# Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Fire Fund Year Ended March 31, 2008

	REVENUES: Taxes Interest and rents Local unit contributions  Total Revenues	Original Budget \$ 31,315 2,000 33,315	Final Budget \$ 31,315 2,000 33,315	Actual \$ 29,218 2,616 16,390 48,224
	EXPENDITURES: Public safety Capital outlay	32,150 1,000	32,150 1,000	16,328 _21,681
•	Total Expenditures	33,150	_33,150_	38,009
	Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	165	165	10,215
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Operating transfers in Operating transfers out Total other financing sources (uses)			
	Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	165	165	10,215
	FUND BALANCES, April 1 FUND BALANCES, March 31	117,370 \$ 117,535	117,370 \$ 117,535	117,370 \$ 127,585

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

# Combining Balance Sheet Non-Major Governmental Funds March 31, 2008

	Municipal Street	Capital Projects	Total
ASSETS Cash	\$ <u>32,795</u>	\$ <u>5,000</u>	\$ <u>37,</u> 795
Total Assets	\$ <u>32,795</u>	\$ <u>5,000</u>	\$ <u>37,795</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fund Balances: Unreserved: Designated	32,795	5,000	<u>37,795</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 32,795	\$ 5,000	\$ 37,795

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Non-Major Governmental Funds March 31, 2008

	Municipal Street	Capital Projects	Total
REVENUES Interest on investments Total Revenues	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$
EXPENDITURES Total Expenditures			
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	-	-	_
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Operating Transfers in Operating Transfers out Total Other Finances Sources (Uses)		1,000  	1,000  
Net Changes in Fund Balance	-	1,000	1,000
Fund Balances April 1	<u>32,795</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>36,795</u>
Fund Balances March 31	\$ <u>32,795</u>	\$ <u>5,000</u>	\$ <u>37,795</u>

# Detail Schedule of General Fund Revenues for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

Taxes	Original <u>Budget</u>	Final Budget	_Actual_
Property Swamp and CFR	\$ 14,500 	\$ 14,500	\$ 14,527  14,527
State Grants Revenue sharing Metro	30,000	30,000	30,024
	1,900	1,900	1,901
	31,900	31,900	31,925
Interest and Rents	5,400	5,400	7,647
Interest	-	-	-
Rent	5,400	5,400	7,647
<b>Local Unit Contributions</b> Grants		<del></del>	<u>5,195</u> 5,195
Other Revenue Administrative fee Miscellaneous	1,370	1,370	1,380
	60	60	73
	1,430	1,430	1,453
	\$ <u>54,551</u>	\$ 54,551	\$ 60,747

# Detail Schedule of General Fund Expenditures for the Year Ended March 31, 2008

0	Original <u>Budget</u>	Final Budget	Actual
General Government		<b>A A 1 A B</b>	• • • • •
Clerk	\$ 6,425	\$ 6,425	\$ 6,158
Treasurer	7,475	7,475	6,585
Supervisor	6,375	6,582	6,529
Building & grounds	1,875	2,086	2,221
Trustees	9,775	9,194	7,766
Payroll tax	1,850	1,850	1,604
Board of review	700	700	551
Insurance	5,300	5,300	4,633
Hall improvements	500	663	663
Elections	1,800	1,800	927
Assessor	6,820	6,820	6,714
	48,895	48,895	44,351
Public Works			
Roads and bridges	5,000	5,000	11,334
Road signs	200	200	_
Street lighting	425	425	374_
	5,625	5,625	11,708
Capital Outlay			
Office renovation	_	-	3,457
Equipment			238_
•	_	_	3,695
	\$ <u>54,520</u>	\$ <u>54,520</u>	\$ <u>59,754</u>

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To the Township Board Gourley Township Menominee County, Michigan

# REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

I have audited the financial statements of the Governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Gourley Township for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Gourley Township basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated June 25, 2008. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Townships internal control over financial reporting.

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, I did identify certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency or a combination of control deficiencies that adversely affects the Township's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Township's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Township's internal control. I consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings on page 25 to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency or combination of significant deficiencies that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Township's internal control.

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# REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS (continued)

My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, I believe that none of the significant deficiencies described above is a material weakness.

### Compliance and other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Gourley Township financial statements are free of material misstatement I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

I also noted certain matters that I reported to the Management of Gourley Township in a separate letter dated June 25, 2008.

This report is intended for the information of the management of Gourley Township and the State of Michigan. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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June 25, 2008

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# **GOURLEY TOWNSHIP**

Schedule of Findings For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

### Financial Statement Findings

### Reportable Condition:

Most of the Townships cash and financial reporting duties are performed by a limited number of employees. Although these employees are segregating their duties as much as possible, some of the aspects of internal control which rely on an adequate segregation of duties are missing.

The Township is not large enough to make the employment of additional persons for the purpose of segregating duties practical from a financial standpoint, but I am required under my professional responsibilities to call the situation to your attention.

The Township Board will continue to rely on its direct knowledge of the Townships operations to control and safeguard assets.

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June 25, 2008

Supervisor and Township Board Gourley Township, Michigan

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements of the Gourley Township for the year ended March 31, 2008, I considered the Townships internal control in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

I became aware of several matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency that I have detailed below. I previously reported on the Townships internal control in my report dated June 25, 2008. This letter does not affect my report dated June 25, 2008, on the financial statements of the Township.

### Separation of Duties

The size of the Townships office staff has prevented the separation of functions necessary to assure an adequate internal control structure. It is not practical to hire additional staff solely for the purpose of separation duties. However, the Board should continue to be aware of this condition.

### Capital Assets

I corrected the Township's total capital assets to exclude road construction expense. According to Michigan State Statutes, roads become the property of the County Road Commission upon completion and the responsibility to maintain them rest with the commission as well.

### Management's Discussion Analysis

The State strongly recommends that local Governments provide a management's discussion and analysis with their annual financial reports, which is required under generally accepted accounting principles. I recommend that the Treasurer, Clerk and Supervisor collaborate on the preparation of this report for future audits.

### Conclusion

I will review the status of these comments during our next audit engagement. I will be pleased to discuss them in further detail or assist with implementation.

I thank you for allowing me to be of service to the Gourley Township.

Sincerely,

Carl R. Sorensen

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